

KEEP IN TOUCH

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Update on Activities

The KEEP team accepted the design and requirements document developed by Propylon covering over 790 requirements for the KEEP System. Of those requirements, almost half will go into the prototype.

Propylon is working on the prototype build, using an agile methodology based on the storyboarding approach identified in Lisa Crispin's Agile Testing (2009). Propylon estimates relatively rapid build iterations of less than two weeks, and expects the project to have eight to 10 iterations in order to produce the prototype. Each iteration is reviewed by the KEEP team.

Propylon has also hired Richard Case, a developer who will be working on the KEEP project.

The KEEP project managers accepted Propylon's design specification in November. The design is centered around three autonomous zones: ingest, archives, and access. These zones will be separated to protect the data in each zone from potential threats to the system.

KEEP team members participated in a conference call with Bob Horton,

Minnesota state archivist, to discuss potential additional National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation Program funding to facilitate ingestion of video from the new legislative information system, Kansas Legislative Information Systems and Services. These video files would be from selected legislative committees, and would include closed captioning of the audio from the files.

The hardware for the KEEP System has been installed. Two sets of hardware, one Cisco server, and one EMC Centera SAN each, have been installed in data centers in Topeka and Wichita. These two identical sets will allow for backup and recovery of the system in case of emergency.

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Future Activities

A planned meeting to discuss the KEEP policy framework will take place in February 2011. A subgroup of the stakeholder advisory team will convene around governance issues outlined in the Framework.

Check the KEEP website for updates on the project. The URL is <http://keep.ks.gov/>, and it contains information about the project, past issues of this newsletter, project documents, and presentations given by KEEP team members.



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